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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
7 AT SEATTLE

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9 RODNEY J. BLACKMAN, *et al.*,

10 Plaintiffs,

11 v.

12 PARK WEST GALLERIES, INC., *et al.*,

13 Defendants.
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Case No. C08-1310RSL

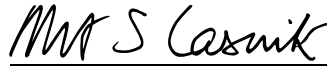
ORDER STRIKING NOTICE
OF WITHDRAWAL

14 On November 24, 2008, counsel for HSBC Bank Nevada, N.A. and HSBC
15 Finance Corporation filed a Notice of Withdrawal and Substitution of Counsel. Dkt. # 43.
16 Pursuant to General Rule 2(g)(4)(A), "No attorney shall withdraw an appearance in any case,
17 civil or criminal, except by leave of court." Counsel have not sought leave of court, nor have
18 they filed a certification stating that a copy of the motion was served on their clients. An order
19 of substitution is not required if there is simply a change or addition of attorneys within the same
20 law firm. General Rule 2(g)(2). In this case, however, counsel are seeking to withdraw and
21 substitute attorneys from a different firm.

22 Accordingly, the notice of withdrawal and substitution is hereby STRICKEN.
23 Counsel Tim J. Filer, Jeffrey S. Miller, and Neil A. Dial will not be permitted to withdraw until
24 they comply with General Rule 2(g)(4), including filing a certification that the motion was
25 served on their clients and that the clients were notified of their obligation to be represented by
26 an attorney.

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2 Dated this 25th day of November, 2008.

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4 Robert S. Lasnik
5 United States District Judge
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